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While every effort is made to ensure accuracy in this program, graduation filing deadlines, printing deadlines, and degree audit adjustments can prevent inclusion of graduates' names or may result in publishing names of individuals not completing degree requirements. This program, therefore, should not be used to determine a student's official academic or degree status.

9:30 a.m.

Robert W. Plaster School of Business
School of Education • Bachelor of General Studies

Processional: "Pomp and Circumstance"	Elgar <i>Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble</i>
National Anthem.....	Presentation of Colors <i>Show-Me GOLD Color Guard</i>
Welcome and Introductions.....	Dr. Alan Marble <i>President, Missouri Southern State University</i>
Commencement Speaker	Jeff Kilbane, '85 <i>President, JMK Sculpture, Inc.</i>
Presentation of Class	Dr. Pat Lipira <i>Vice President for Academic Affairs, Missouri Southern State University</i>
Conferring of Graduate Degrees	Dr. Alan Marble
Master's Hooding.....	Dr. John Groesbeck <i>Dean, The Robert W. Plaster School of Business, Missouri Southern State University</i>

Presentation of Baccalaureate and Associate Degrees

Conferring of Bachelor and Associate Degrees	Dr. Alan Marble Presentation of Diplomas
Introduction of Degree Candidates	Mr. Jeff Skibbe <i>General Manager, 88.7/Fine Arts Radio International, Missouri Southern State University</i>
Congratulatory Remarks	Dr. Michael Garoutte <i>President, Faculty Senate, Missouri Southern State University</i>
Announcement of Academic Honors	Dr. Pat Lipira
Turning of the Tassel.....	Ms. Shally Lundien, '95, '03 <i>President, Alumni Association Board</i>
MSSU Alma Mater (See page 26)	Dyanne Lile <i>BA-Music, Carl Junction</i>
Recessional "Sine Nomine"	R.V. Williams & E. Rosenberg <i>Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble</i>
Sign Language Interpreters.....	Ms. Mary Zustiak Ms. Melissa Smith

Please remain standing until recessional is completed. • Please turn off all beepers/cell phones.

School of Arts & Sciences • School of Health Sciences

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Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble

National Anthem **Presentation of Colors**
Show-Me GOLD Color Guard

Welcome and Introductions **Dr. Alan Marble**
President, Missouri Southern State University

Commencement Speaker **Jeff Kilbane, '85**
President, JMK Sculpture, Inc.

Presentation of Class **Dr. Pat Lipira**
Vice President for Academic Affairs, Missouri Southern State University

Conferring of Graduate Degrees **Dr. Alan Marble**

Master's Hooding **Dr. Richard Miller**
Dean, School of Arts & Sciences, Missouri Southern State University
Representative(s) from Southeast Missouri State University

Presentation of Baccalaureate and Associate Degrees

Conferring of Bachelor and Associate Degrees **Dr. Alan Marble**
Presentation of Diplomas

Introduction of Degree Candidates **Mr. Jeff Skibbe**
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Congratulatory Remarks **Dr. Michael Garoutte**
President, Faculty Senate, Missouri Southern State University

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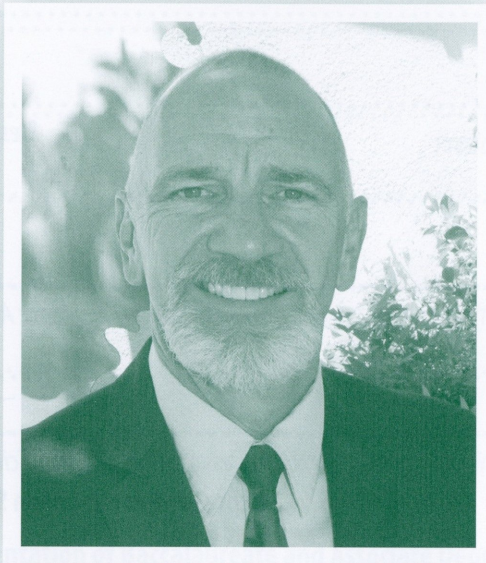
Turning of the Tassel **Ms. Shally Lundien, '95, '03**
President, Alumni Association Board

MSSU Alma Mater (See page 26) **Sydney Shannon**
BSE-Vocal Music Education, Galena, KS

Recessional "Sine Nomine" **R.V. Williams & E. Rosenberg**
Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble

Sign Language Interpreters **Ms. Mary Zustiak**
Ms. Melissa Smith

About Our Speaker



Jeff Kilbane is president of JMK Sculpture Inc. in Los Angeles, Calif.

He began sculpting while working at Walt Disney Imagineering, where he worked for 11 years as a Principle Show Artisan. For the last 13 years, he has sculpted various projects for the entertainment industry as JMK Sculpture.

Kilbane graduated from Joplin Memorial High School in 1980, and then attended Missouri Southern. He graduated in 1985 with his bachelor's degree in art. He has completed portraits for the 112 members of the Missouri Southern Athletics Hall of Fame, which can be viewed hanging in the halls of the Leggett & Platt Athletic Center. He was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2006.

Kilbane has an 11-year-old daughter, Alisha.

To see more of his work and to contact him, visit www.jmksculpture.com.

Graduate Programs

Missouri Southern State University

Master of Accountancy

Missouri Southern State University proudly presents our very own Master of Accountancy inaugural graduating class. In August 1993, the Missouri General Assembly made this landmark event possible by passing legislation allowing MSSU the opportunity to offer a Master of Accountancy degree. In February 2013, our program was approved by the Coordinating Board of Higher Education with graduate classes beginning in August 2014.

DeGraw, Samantha Lyn *

Accounting
Carl Junction

Stephens, Ashley Renee *

Accounting
Joplin

McDaniel, Taylor Marie *

Accounting
Seneca

Yager, Lindsey Nicole Ketron*

Accounting
Joplin

Cooperative Graduate Programs

Missouri Southern State University/Southeast Missouri State University

Master of Science in Criminal Justice

Bass, Tom G.

Criminal Justice
Ozark

Brooks, Amie Sue

Criminal Justice
Ellsinore

Candidates for Honors & Degrees

Baccalaureate Degrees

Summa Cum Laude Grade point average 3.90 or above

Bayless, Abby	Garr, Cory	Ott, Mattilyn ‡	Troxel, Ashton
Beye, Kendall	Grace, Genesis ‡	Parrigon, Bethany	Van Baal, Kenzo †
Bohannon, Samantha ‡	Herfel, Shakira ‡	Paullus, Emily †	Van Dorn, Calib ‡
Brisco, Sara	Jimenez, Marisela	Peterson, Kristina †	Vankirk, Shanda
Bush, Hailey †	Johnston, Jessica	Rand, Hayden ‡	Vaughn, Brett
Clark, Breana ‡ †	Jordan, Matt	Rawlins, Lindsey †	Watson, Rachel
Cobb, Stephanie	Kraft, Jenny	Roby, Tyler	Wellesley, Derrick ‡
Collier, Wendy ‡	Lawrence, Courtney	Seaman, Malayla	Yunker, Timothy
Conley, Adyson	Lile, Dyanne	Shaner, Kyle	Yust, Ashton †
Day, Molly	Markley, Amelia ‡	Shouse, Jamie	
Ernst, Bethany	Melaven, Paige *	Smalley, Megan ‡	
Ernst, Seth ‡	Meyer, Chelsea †	Steddum, Michael ‡	

Magna Cum Laude Grade point average 3.80 - 3.89

Alumbaugh, Laurina	Evey, Jill	Marshall, Jason	Snodgrass, Keshia
Arnold, Ashley	Forkner, Leah	McDonnell, Tamara *	Stokes, Derek
Bentley, Tommy	Gardner, Benjamin *	McMain, Chloe	Stone, Betsy
Buelow, Marjorie	Gipson, Brook †	Miller, Joseph	Wenzel, Priscilla
Burke, Daryl	Girdler, Amanda	Osburn, Kathryn	Wyatt, M'Kenzie
Chitwood, Darrin	Gooch, Cara †	Schneickert, Derek	
Christian, Adam	Graham, Samantha	Severns, Danielle †	
Davidson, Neal	James, Blake †	Shannon, Sydney	
Day, Jennifer *	Lampe, Brooklyn	Smith, Ashlee †	

Cum Laude Grade point average 3.70 - 3.79

Benz, Rhonda	Goucher, Kerri	Nyaanga, Promillah	Stokes, Brandon
Burkhart, Jenny	Hill, Trevor	Phillips, Ryon	Thorn, Nicole
Choate, Denise *	Honeycutt, Penny	Phillips, Shawnee	Todd, Cody *
Crane, Alaina	Lessman, Eric	Salkill, Wendy	Tripp, Allen
Cyr, Katelyn	McCoy, Lydia	Saunders, Brice	Williams, Zachary
Fjelstad, Robin	Moore, Christina * †	Steele, Kahlief	

Associate Degrees

First Honors • Grade point average 3.90 or above

Beye, Kendall	Day, Molly	Roby, Tyler	Vaughn, Brett
Collier, Wendy ‡	Lawrence, Courtney	Shaner, Kyle	

Second Honors • Grade point average 3.80 - 3.89

Day, Jennifer *	Snodgrass, Keshia	Stone, Betsy
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Third Honors • Grade point average 3.70 - 3.79

Choate, Denise *	McCoy, Lydia	Salkill, Wendy	Todd, Cody *
Lessman, Eric	Phillips, Shawnee	Tanner, McKayley	Tripp, Allen

9:30 a.m.

The Robert W. Plaster School of Business

School of Education • Bachelor of General Studies

The Robert W. Plaster School of Business
Bachelor of Science

Anderson, Steven Linville *
Industrial Engineering Technology
Joplin

Blinzler, Luke E.
Industrial Engineering Technology
Monett

Christiansen, Erica Leigh
CIS-Computer Forensics/Criminal
Justice Administration
Joplin

Cutbirth, Kevin Antoni
CIS-Computer Technology
Granby

Dobbs, Landon Jeremy
CIS-Computer Forensics/Criminal
Justice Administration
Webb City

Durham, Jerod Kyle
CIS-Information Systems
Joplin

Gaston, Alton G.
CIS-Information Systems
Webb City

Henderson, Andrew Lawson
CIS-Information Systems
Joplin

Hollingshead, Daniel Joseph
Industrial Engineering Technology
Joplin

Lessman, Eric
CIS-Information Technology
Joplin

Letts, Austin Wade
CIS-Information Technology
Joplin

Lo, Chue Feng
Industrial Engineering Technology
Joplin

Mallady, Adam Quintin
CIS-Math/Computational Math
Plano, TX

Maurer, Derek Ryan
CIS-Information Technology
Joplin

Metcalfe, Jesse Ryan
Industrial Engineering Technology
Carthage

O'Neill, Dominick John
CIS-Information Technology
Joplin

Ramirez, Fernando M.
Industrial Engineering Technology
Joplin

Redmon, Cassie Lee Ann
CIS-Information Systems
Joplin

Salkill, Wendy Janel
CIS-Computer Forensics/Criminal
Justice Administration
Aurora

Sappington, Clayton Cardwell
Industrial Engineering Technology
Loma Linda

Shaner, Kyle Reme
Industrial Engineering Technology
Webb City

Sparks, Larry Wayne
Industrial Engineering Technology
Carthage

Stir, Luke Christian
Industrial Engineering Technology
Weston

Stockton, Ashley Nichole
CIS-Information Technology
Joplin

Story, Daniel David-Lee
CIS-Information Technology
Joplin

Tarvin, Russell E.
CIS-Information Technology
Asbury

Tripp, Allen Robert
Industrial Engineering Technology
Carl Junction

Vaughn, Brett Thomas
CIS-Information Systems
Sarcoxie

Ward, William J.
CIS-Information Technology
Joplin

Willis, Mikael
CIS-Information Technology
Fairland, OK

Witte, Cory James
Industrial Engineering Technology
Joplin

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Adams, Alexandra Julie *
Management
Springfield

Adams, Gayle Sue
Accounting
Montgomery City

Andersen, Cynda Lynn
Accounting
Lebanon

Anderson, Hannah Nicole
Marketing
Goodman

Arbuckle, Skyler Lee
Human Resource Management,
Management, Marketing
Pleasant Hill

Bailey, Adrienna Lynn *
Human Resource Management,
Management, Marketing
Carthage

Barnes, Brendon
Accounting
Neosho

Beck, Amber J.*
Human Resource Management
Joplin

Bernhardt, Amber Rose
Human Resource Management
Neosho

Bohannon, Aimee Beth Irene
General Business
Joplin

Breig, Ethan Charles Phillips
Management
St. Louis

Brown, Jared Glen
Finance
Neosho

Brown, William Wendall

Finance/Economics
Fairland, OK

Buerk, Ryan Allen

Marketing
St Louis

Bullard, Michael Robert *

Marketing
Oswego, KS

Bush, Hailey Renee †

Finance, Management
Neosho

Carey, Collyn Elizabeth

Accounting
Neosho

Chism, Andrew L. *

Accounting
Webb City

Chitwood, Darrin John

International Business
Grinnell, IA

Cizek, Karyssa Lee Karolyn

Management
Neosho

Clark, Brandi Rea

Accounting
Lamar

Clark, Breana Raye ††

Management, Human Resource
Management
Joplin

Clark, Randy R.

Finance
San Antonio, TX

Cooper, Cara Lee

General Business
Webb City

Corum, Kenna Danielle

Accounting
Webb City

Covert, Cameron J. *

Management
Joplin

Danner, Richard Eric

Human Resource Management,
Management, Marketing
Joplin

David, Linda Sue

Human Resource Management
Springfield

Davidson, Neal Allen

Management, Marketing
Goodman

Davies, Sherri DeeAnn

Accounting
Galena, KS

Davis, Sarah Elizabeth *

Human Resource Management,
Management
Phillipsburg

Degani, Dylan E.

Accounting
Carl Junction

Dennison, Scott Andrew

Management
Carthage

Diehl, Blaine Christopher

General Business
Nevada

Donaho, Terry Ray Lee

Management
Carthage

Donlan, Fallon Hart

Human Resource Management
Diamond

Dos Santos, Rhonda Marie

Human Resource Management,
Management, Marketing
Neosho

Dudley, Jonna Nichole

Human Resource Management,
Marketing
Joplin

Dudley, Nathan Charles

Accounting
Joplin

Edwards, Kevin T.

Accounting
Independence, KS

Elam, John Brandon

International Business
Rolla

Ernst, Bethany RuthAnna

Human Resource Management,
Management, Marketing
Joplin

Ewing, Robbe C.

Marketing
Stockton

Flenniken, Michael Owen

Management
Joplin

Flores, Danely

Accounting
Carthage

Flores, William T.

Management, Marketing
Carson City, NV

Fohrenck, Gary Michael *

Human Resource Management,
Management
Joplin

Garvin, Kylin Ann *

Human Resource Management,
Management
Joplin

Gehrke, Virginia Diane

Management
Dunnegan

Gomez, Jose F.

International Business, Management
Berryville, AR

Gooch, Cara Nicole †

Management, Marketing
Bolivar

Gooder, Danielle Nichole

Management
Pineville

Grace, Genesis Esther ‡

Management
Neosho

Guishard, Bria Romaine

Accounting
British Virgin Islands

Halstead, Michael Kelly

Finance
Joplin

Harner, Jade Ashley

Accounting
Monett

Harper, Dustin Dale

Management
Broken Arrow, OK

Hartzog, Nicole Ashely

General Business
Beaverton, OR

Hatfield, Cheyenne Starr

Accounting
Carl Junction

Hayes, Jody Ryan

Management
Anderson

Hayner, Melissa DiAne

Management
Joplin

Haynes, Jessica Leigh

Accounting
Fairview

Henson, Joeseeph Allen

Accounting
Carl Junction

Hermanson, Harley Brad

Management
Joplin

Hill, Austin Armon

International Business
Raymore

Hill, Trevor Blake

Human Resource Management,
Management, Marketing
Carl Junction

Hill, Zachary C.

Management
Nixa

Hilton, Marissa Anne

General Business
Aurora

Hoover, Sarah Denise *

Accounting
Carthage

Immesote, Kristofer Allen *

Management
Grove, OK

Irwin, Cole Taylor

Human Resource Management,
Management
Joplin

Jallow, Binta *

Marketing
British Virgin Islands

Jamerson, Brenna Jo

Human Resource Management,
International Business, Management
Joplin

James, Blake Ryan †

Human Resource Management,
Management
Joplin

Johnson, Andrew Lee *

Accounting
Webb City

Jordan, Matthew T.

Human Resource Management,
Marketing
Joplin

Kaza, Tanner Robert

General Business
Rogers, AR

Kjellsen, Tyler Darris

Management
Broken Arrow, OK

Lane, Heather Renee *

Human Resource Management,
Management
Butler

Lavore, Jennifer Maile

Human Resource Management
Joplin

Lei, Lei

Management
China

Long, Justin Lee

Marketing
Joplin

Maddock, Michael Alan

Marketing
Joplin

Mansfield, Steven Nicholas

Marketing
Bella Vista, AR

Marshall, Jason Lee

General Business
Republic

May, Tonya Lynnett

Human Resource Management,
Management
Joplin

McCartney, Casey Louise

Management
Clinton

McDonnell, Tamara D.*

Management
Granby

McLees, Jacob Adam

Management
Joplin

McNeil, Andrea Laurel

Human Resource Management
Joplin

Melaven, Paige Nichole *

Accounting, Human Resource
Management, Management
Webb City

Miller, Brock Allen

Marketing
Webb City

Mircetic, Eliysha Joy

Marketing
Webb City

Moore, Christina Carol *†

Finance, Management
Joplin

Moss, Shamera Kay

General Business
Arma, KS

Norman, Ashlea Danielle *

Management, Marketing
Joplin

Nunez, Kara Lee

Human Resource Management,
Management
Carl Junction

Nyaanga, Promillah Nyaboke

General Business
Kenya

Palmer, Jared Eugene

Finance/Economics
Joplin

Pelham, Ace Luke

Accounting
Oronogo

Perra, Jevon Adonial

Management
Costa Mesa, CA

Phillips, Ryon Brooks Hunter

Human Resource Management,
Marketing
Royse City, TX

Pierce, Trenton Lee

Finance
Monett

Radford, Rick Warren

Accounting
St Louis

Rainwater, Larry Addison

Management
Goodman

Rand, Hayden J. ‡

Economics
Joplin

Rice, Lindsey

Accounting
Joplin

Roberts, Tiffannie Paige

Marketing
Webb City

Rodgers, Brian

General Business
Joplin

Russell, Joshua

Accounting, Finance/Economics
Webb City

Schmidt, Tyler Jackson

Management, Marketing
Webb City

Scott, Kayle Eugene

Management, Marketing
Joplin

Selby, Hannah Marie

Management
Carthage

Shanks, Taylor Jesse

Management
Noel

Shannon, Ashley Nicole

Human Resource Management,
Management
Carthage

Sharp, Victoria Lynne

Management
Joplin

Sill, Kyle Austin *

Human Resource Management,
Management, Marketing
Neosho

Sillars, Shannon Michelle

Marketing
Sarcoixie

Smalley, Megan Elizabeth ‡

Marketing
Joplin

Smith, Ashlee Rose †

Marketing
Neosho

Stewart, Sandy Renee

Accounting
Tahlequah, OK

Stone, Amanda Fern

Human Resource Management
Joplin

Taylor, Amber Dawn

Marketing
Reeds

Taylor, Dalvin Jo'Vonta

Management
Grenada, MS

Thao, Yee

Human Resource Management
Springfield

Thompson, Crystal Ann

Accounting
Carthage

Tilton, Kendra

Human Resource Management
Reeds

Tole, Oliver Mwashigadi *

General Business
Kenya

Tuggle, Steven Paul

Human Resource Management
Webb City

Van Dyken, Matthew James

General Business
Mt. Vernon

Volkman, Cristopher Michael

Management
Joplin

Watson, Kimberly K.

Management
Frontenac, KS

Watson, Rachel Lin Frances

Human Resource Management,
Management
Webb City

West, Tommi Renee

Marketing
Norfolk, VA

Westfield, Anthony Blaine

Human Resource Management
Neosho

Williams, Amanda Beth

Human Resource Management,
Management, Marketing
Farmington

Williams, Zachary Tyler

Accounting
Carthage

Wilson, Kaitlin Dawn

Management
Carl Junction

Wittcock, Tami Rose *

Human Resource Management
Nevada

Woodruff, Christina L.

Accounting
Neosho

Wright, Whitney Nicole

General Business
Raymore

Yang, Doua Chong

Accounting
Goodman

Yeager, Amanda Renē

Management
Stockton

Yeoman, Craig Michael

Management
Joplin

Yust, Ashton Shea †

Management, Marketing
Joplin

Associate of Science

Blinzler, Luke E.

Manufacturing Engineering
Technology
Monett

Christiansen, Erica Leigh

CIS-Information Systems
Joplin

Cutbirth, Kevin Antoni

Engineering Tech-DDET
Granby

Dobbs, Landon Jeremy

CIS-Information Systems
Webb City

Durham, Jerod Kyle

CIS-Information Systems
Joplin

Ernst, Jonathan David

CIS-Information Systems
Joplin

Henderson, Andrew Lawson

CIS-Information Systems
Joplin

Hollingshead, Daniel Joseph

Manufacturing Engineering
Technology
Joplin

Lessman, Eric

CIS-Information Systems
Joplin

Letts, Austin Wade

CIS-Information Systems
Joplin

Lo, Chue Feng

Manufacturing Engineering
Technology
Joplin

Maurer, Derek Ryan

CIS-Information Systems
Joplin

Obert, Aaron S.

DDET-Drafting Design Eng Tech
Lockwood

O'Neill, Dominick John

CIS-Information Systems
Joplin

Ramirez, Fernando M.

Manufacturing Engineering
Technology
Joplin

Redmon, Cassie Lee Ann

CIS-Information Systems
Joplin

Salkill, Wendy Janel

CIS-Information Systems
Aurora

Sappington, Clayton Cardwell

Manufacturing Engineering
Technology
Loma Linda

Shaner, Kyle Reme

Manufacturing Engineering Technology
Webb City

Stir, Luke Christian

Manufacturing Engineering
Technology
Weston

Stockton, Ashley Nichole

CIS-Information Systems
Joplin

Story, Daniel David-Lee

CIS-Information Systems
Joplin

Tripp, Allen Robert

Manufacturing Engineering
Technology
Carl Junction

Vaughn, Brett Thomas

CIS-Information Systems
Sarcxie

Ward, William J.

CIS-Information Systems
Joplin

Weeks, Stanley

DDET-Drafting Design Eng Tech
Taneyville

Willis, Mikael

CIS-Information Systems
Fairland, OK

Winemiller, Eric Bradley

DDET-Drafting Design Eng Tech
Joplin

Witte, Cory James

Manufacturing Engineering
Technology
Joplin

School of Education

Bachelor of Arts

Cyr, Katelyn Nichole
Psychology
Carthage

Marin, Elizabeth Rose
Psychology
Joplin

Martinez, Damaris Sarai
Psychology
Lowell, AR

Bachelor of Science

Babbitt, Kyle Andrew
Health Promotion and Wellness
Webb City

Belisle, Kaitlyn Marie
Health Promotion and Wellness
Joplin

Bertelli, Scott Michael *
Health Promotion and Wellness
Claremore, OK

Bohannon, Samantha Dawn ‡
Psychology
Cherryvale, KS

Bradley, Beth Suzanne
Psychology
Taneyville

Burkhart, Jenny Helen
Psychology
Joplin

Cady, Jessica Marie
Psychology
Webb City

Campbell, Allison Marie
Psychology
Nevada

Catron, Ressie Bell
Health Promotion and Wellness
Joplin

Coupe, Ryan McKenzie *
Health Promotion and Wellness
Columbia

Davis, Shemaiah
Psychology
Carterville

Deem, Logan Christopher
Psychology
Joplin

Doss, Kyle Matthew
Health Promotion and Wellness
Monett

Eastin, Dora Virginia *
Health Promotion and Wellness
Neosho

Fulgham III, Elbert Moses *
Health Promotion and Wellness
New Orleans, LA

Gowens, Katelin Kristine *
Health Promotion and Wellness
Galena, KS

Graham, Samantha Lynn
Psychology
Carl Junction

Hasty, Veronica Krea
Health Promotion and Wellness
Webb City

Heflin, Jarika Rayeann
Health Promotion and Wellness
Joplin

Hoofnagle, Shelby Loren
Health Promotion and Wellness
Carthage

Jackson, Callieann Rose
Psychology
Neosho

Johnston, Jessica Leigh
Psychology
Carl Junction

Jones, Mary Colene *
Health Promotion and Wellness
Neosho

Koontz, Tasha Lynn *
Health Promotion and Wellness
Blue Springs

Kraft, Jenny Kay
Psychology
Neosho

Marston, Samantha Crisann
Psychology
Carthage

Martin, Elizabeth Marie
Psychology
Neosho

Peterson, Kristina Nicole †
Health Promotion and Wellness
Granby

Politte, Kathryn Margaret
Health Promotion and Wellness
Washington

Restivo, Talia Diane *
Psychology
Carl Junction

Roberson, Dana Elise *
Health Promotion and Wellness
Ash Grove

Rowe, Jacob Ryan *
Health Promotion and Wellness
Leavenworth, KS

Russell, Danae Denise *
Health Promotion and Wellness
Ritchey

Sharp, Jolee Marie *
Health Promotion and Wellness
Ft Scott, KS

Smith, Laura Elizabeth *
Health Promotion and Wellness
Bath, NY

Soyez, Samantha Marie
Health Promotion and Wellness
Goddard, KS

Speer, Arielle Renee
Psychology
Joplin

Spencer, Morgan Renae
Health Promotion and Wellness
Mt. Vernon

Steadman, Zackary Ryan
Health Promotion and Wellness
Derby, KS

Stimson, Laura J.
Psychology
Nevada

Tabb, Aaron Thomas
Psychology
Joplin

Trout, Christopher Blaine *
Health Promotion and Wellness
Monett

Wilson, Kelsey D.
Health Promotion and Wellness
Carl Junction

Yang, Hunter *
Health Promotion and Wellness
Anderson

Yunker, Timothy Gerard
Health Promotion and Wellness
Monett

Zabel, Cody Alan
Psychology
Miami, OK

Bachelor of Science in Education

Arnold, Ashley Danielle
Elementary Education-Science
Carthage

Arnold, Elizabeth Ann
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Webb City

Bennett, Jeremy J.
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Wyandotte, OK

Brisco, Sara Elizabeth
Secondary Education-English
Anderson

Brown, Caidy Ann
Middle School Education-
Social Studies
Stella

Burke, Daryl Lynn
K-12 Education-Spanish
Joplin

Butler, Jordyn Kimber
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Joplin

Conley, Adyson Elizabeth
Elementary Education-English/
Language Arts
Carl Junction

Danner, Brian A.
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Webb City

Davis, Lara Nicole
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Carl Junction

Deckard, Tiffany Lauren
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Webb City

DeVillers, Phillip Price
K-12 Education-Physical Education
Carthage

Dieckhoff, Brett Thomas
Secondary Education-
Social Science/History
Joplin

Elledge, Christina Renee
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Webb City

Elliott, Jillian Michelle
Secondary Education-Social and
Political Science
Joplin

Eveans, Kylee Marie
Middle School Education-Science
Moro, IL

Evey, Jill Rene'
Elementary Education-Social
Studies
Carthage

Felker, Sharon Desiree
Secondary Education-
Social Science/History
Joplin

Goucher, Kerri Jo
Elementary Education-English/
Language Arts
Joplin

Greer, Mary Ann
K-12 Education-Physical Education
Oronogo

Hall, Shannon Elizabeth
Elementary Education-
Early Childhood
Goodman

Hardy, Chelsea Danielle
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Carl Junction

Hines, Amy Catherine
Elementary Education-English/
Language Arts
Afton, OK

Huber, Samantha JoLea
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Webb City

Hunt, Luther Lee
Middle School Education-Math
Joplin

Jimenez, Marisela
K-12 Education-Spanish
Washburn

Leppla, Kirsten Sian
Middle School Education-Math
Wyandotte, OK

Markley, Amelia Rebecca ‡
K-12 Education-Music/Vocal
and Instrumental
Joplin

Mashburn, Robin Lynn
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Joplin

McGowan, Rachel Elizabeth
Secondary Education-English
Joplin

Meyer, Chelsea Nicholle †
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Joplin

Murrell, Khloe Elizabeth
K-12 Education-Art
El Dorado Springs

Myers, Jessica Amber
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Joplin

Norton, Derek Tye
K-12 Education-Art
Joplin

Oxendine, Ciaira M.
Middle School Education-
Math
Neosho

Parrigon, Bethany Jo
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Pierce City

Paullus, Emily Kay †
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Neosho

Perry, Joshua Kurtis
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Joplin

Phillips, Addy Jocelynne
K-12 Education-Instrumental
Clever

Riddle, Baylee Lane
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Diamond

Risner, Abby Lynn
Secondary Education-Spanish
Rogers, AR

Romines, Shelby Ann
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Ozark

Shannon, Sydney Jene'
K-12 Education-Vocal
Galena, KS

Smith, Kaitlyn Ann
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Kansas City

Stacy, Tracie
Elementary Education-
Early Childhood
Miami, OK

Stone, Shatara Nicole
Middle School Education-Math
Joplin

Tanksley, Christopher Steven
K-12 Education-Vocal
Baxter Springs, KS

Teel, Amber M.
Elementary Education-
Early Childhood
Carthage

Thomas, Jinger Renae
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Joplin

Thorn, Nicole Robin
Elementary Education-Language
Arts
Joplin

Utt, Taylor Marie
Elementary Education-English/
Language Arts
Waynesville

Vankirk, Shanda Michelle
Elementary Education-
Social Studies
Lamar

VanWinkle, Kelisa Breann
Elementary Education-English/
Language Arts
Neosho

Wellesley, Derrick Holden ‡
Middle School Education-Social
Studies/Science
Neosho

Wooldridge, Colton Glen
Secondary Education-Business
Farmington

Wright, Sarah Kaye
Elementary Education-English/
Language Arts
Joplin

Wyatt, M'Kenzie Shea
K-12 Education-Physical Education
Neosho

Youngblood, Hillary Annette
Elementary Education-English/
Language Arts
Columbus, KS

Bachelor of General Studies

Anderson, Ty Alden

General Studies
Goodman

Armstrong, Kathryn Lea

General Studies
Nixa

Barlow, Lane Alan *

General Studies
Chicago, IL

Beaver, Lori Ann

General Studies
Grove, OK

Benz, Rhonda Lynn

General Studies
Carthage

Braeckel, Kelly Andrew

General Studies
Joplin

Cash, David Mark

General Studies
Grove, OK

Chilton, Michael Anderson *

General Studies
Seneca

Clark, Matthew Charles

General Studies
Joplin

Coleman, Jesse James *

General Studies
El Dorado Springs

Cornelius, Cameron Michaels*

General Studies
Wichita, KS

DeGroat, Scott D.

General Studies
Webb City

Freeman, Paul Levi *

General Studies
Benton, KY

Fullerton, Hannah Rose

General Studies
Joplin

Gardner, Benjamin Steven *

General Studies
Neosho

Girdler, Amanda Lynn

General Studies
Pomona

Grace, Daina Suejuan

General Studies
Neosho

Graham, Xavier Yul

General Studies
Biloxi, MS

Granger, Matthew Pete

General Studies
Stella

Hayes, TyQuan Demonte

General Studies
Dillon, SC

Herrmann, Alyssa May *

General Studies
Monett

Hobson, Racritia Dawn

General Studies
Joplin

Honeycutt, Penny

General Studies
Joplin

Howard, Joshua Alexander

General Studies
Carl Junction

Hutchcraft, Donna Marie

General Studies
Joplin

Jaeger, Gwendolyn Joan *

General Studies
St Louis

Keidel, Christopher Paul *

General Studies
St Charles

Knight, Shelby Kay

General Studies
Joplin

Kresse, Kassie Lynn *

General Studies
Sedalia

Mann, Emily Elizabeth

General Studies
Pierce City

Miller, Summer ShyAnne *

General Studies
Cartersville

Morris, Samantha LaNae

General Studies
Carthage

Nelson, Jessi James

General Studies
Joplin

Pendergraft, Jennifer Lind

General Studies
Aurora

Phillips, Beau Chandler

General Studies
Springfield

Pitts, Jacob Houston

General Studies
Joplin

Robertson, Drenna Jeane

General Studies
Quapaw, OK

Ryan, Carolyn A.

General Studies
Carl Junction

Sigars, David W.

General Studies
Neosho

Skaggs, Melanie Bond

General Studies
Carl Junction

Snider, Anthony Brian *

General Studies
Miami, OK

Stapp, Jeri A. *

General Studies
Joplin

Swen, Elijah

General Studies
Crystal, MN

Thompson, Ian Michael

General Studies
Joplin

Trumbly, Spencer Harrison

General Studies
Paola, KS

VanDorn, Calib Ryan ‡

General Studies
Neosho

Volkl, Sarah Elizabeth

General Studies
Wentworth

Washington, Gaige Ininki

General Studies
Clinton, MS

Wells, Ethan R.

General Studies
Jasper

Wenzel, Priscilla Jeanine

General Studies
Canada

School of Arts and Sciences • School of Health Sciences

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Bachelor of Arts

Abrams, June Elizabeth

Sociology
Joplin

Akee, Kelsey Elizabeth

English-Literary Studies
Bella Vista, AR

Albrecht, Ashley Amber

Spanish
Bella Vista, AR

Barwick, David Dean

English-Literary Studies
Granby

Bruns, Ross Wallace

Music
Kingsville

Burke, Dallas Michael

History
Bettendorf, IA

Clark, Breana Raye ‡†

Spanish
Joplin

Davidson, Jawanza

Communication-Mass
St Charles

Dodge, Brittany Ann

Art-Graphic
Carthage

Donovan, Terrel Alonzo*

Music Industry
British Virgin Islands

Early, John Randolph

Theatre
Joplin

Ernst, Seth Thomas ‡

Music
Joplin

Garr, Cory Andrew

Political Science
Stover

Gibson, Ciara Rose

French
Mound City, KS

Gipson, Brook D'Lin †

English-Literary Studies,
English-Prof Tech Writing
Joplin

Greninger, Anthony Brian

Art-Graphic
Webb City

Herfel, Shakira Marie ‡

History
Seneca

Herring, Ashley Marie

History
Princeton

Horton, Ariel Dawn

Theatre
Lamar

Keezer, Shelley Marie

Theatre
Joplin

Kritikos, Rex Emmanuel

Spanish
Carthage

Lile, Dyanne Sadara

Music
Carl Junction

Little, Kelsey †

International Studies
Waynesville

McMain, Chloe Elizabeth

Art-Graphic
Galena, KS

Moreno-Reyes, Denise

Spanish
Mexico

Morris, Austin Reed *

Music
Joplin

Nicolas, Melaina *

English-Literary Studies
Joplin

Payton, Ashley Lynn

Art-Visual
Neosho

Peters, Emily Elizabeth

English-Literary Studies
Joplin

Sanders, Rachel Marie

English-Literary Studies
Neosho

Schons, Molly Christine

Communication-Mass
O'Fallon

Sewell, Donald R.

German
Joplin

Shouse, Jamie Lee

Music
Joplin

Silva, Lorena *

Spanish
Joplin

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English-Creative Writing
Webb City

Troxel, Ashton Nicole

French, International Studies
Carl Junction

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Music
Joplin

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Christian, Adam David

Fine Arts-Studio
Carthage

Conrad, Sandra Dawn

Fine Arts-Studio
Neosho

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Fine Arts-Graphic Design
Carthage

Guhr, Traci Lynn

Fine Arts-Studio
Joplin

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Sweden

Henning, Jade Lauren

Fine Arts-Studio
Carl Junction

St. Clair, Karissa Alysa *

Fine Arts-Studio
Monett

Steddum, Michael Carlton ‡

Fine Arts-Studio
Webb City

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Fine Arts-Graphic Design
Joplin

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Fine Arts-Studio
Joplin

Bachelor of Science

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Communications-Mass
Joplin

Adwell, Nikkisha Gail

Biology
Joplin

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Biology
Carthage

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Criminal Justice Administration
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Communication-Public Relations
Conway, AR

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Political Science
Duenweg

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Biology
Joplin

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Biology
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Criminal Justice Administration
Neosho

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Carthage

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Sociology
Carthage

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Environmental Health and Safety
Diamond

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Bentonville, AR

Brown, Eldon Willis

Communication-Mass
Joplin

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Cartersville

Camerer, Josey Rae *

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Cantrell, Jodi B.

Communication-Public Relations
Aurora

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El Dorado Springs

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Cartright, Melynda Ann *

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Juvenile Justice
Webb City

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Biology
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Chambers, Graham Elliott *

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Joplin

Chapman Jr., Willie Donnell

Sociology
Webb City

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Biology
LaRussell

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Biochemistry, Biology
Neosho

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Joplin

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Asbury

Crihfield, Daniel Bennett

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Joplin

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Biology
Joplin

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Carthage

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Joplin

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Chemistry
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Juvenile Justice
Joplin

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Neosho

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Biology
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Communication-Speech
Neosho

Fjelstad, Robin Jensena
Communication-Public Relations
Goodman

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Joplin

Freeborn, Stevan Reece
Biochemistry
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Lee's Summit

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Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics
Austin, TX

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Biochemistry
Joplin

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Granby

Hines, Andrew Bryson
Biology
Joplin

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Webb City

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Biology
Joplin

Hummel, Jared
Criminal Justice Administration
Willow Springs

Johnson, Taylor Paige
Sociology
Joplin

Jones, Carley Marie
Criminal Justice Administration
Diamond

Jones, Eddie Leavitt
Biology
Carthage

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Juvenile Justice
Riverton, KS

Kyle, Nicholas John
Political Science
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Kyser Jr., Samuel Quinten
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Lamp, John J.
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Neosho

Lampe, Brooklyn Nicole
Environmental Health and Safety
Carthage

Lawrence, Courtney Leigh
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Nokomis, IL

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Juvenile Justice
Lamar

LeGrand, Nicole Ashley
Sociology
Anderson

Linton, Eric C.
Criminal Justice Administration
Stark City

Lyster, Hannah Jessie
Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Maier, Andrew Michael
Communication-Mass
Carl Junction

Maier, Nicholas Andreas
Criminal Justice Administration
Redwood, CA

Mallady, Adam Quintin
Computational Math
Plano, TX

Marks, Jennifer Lynn
Criminal Justice Administration
LaSalle, IL

Marsden, Madeline
Biology
Sarcoxie

Mason, Samuel Alexander
Biology
Webb City

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Criminal Justice Administration
Texarkana, TX

McAlister, Lindle Thomas
Sociology
Neosho

McDonald, Kjersti Jordan
Communication-Mass
Joplin

Miller, Joseph Albert
Mathematics, Physics
Webb City

Miller, Robert James
Biology
Pierce City

Morris, Deidra Denise
Communication-Public Relations
Joplin

Myers, Joshua David
Criminal Justice Administration
Webb City

Nelson, Tiffani Nicole
Juvenile Justice
Hazelwood

Nesbitt, Brett Aaron
Political Science
Chanute, KS

Neubeck, Shelby Lee *
Communication-Mass
Crocker

Noland, Joshua Alexander
Political Science
Cartersville

Osburn, Kathryn Goins
Biology, Mathematics
Van Buren, AR

Osburn, Mitchell Duane
Criminal Justice Administration
Broken Arrow, OK

Ott, Mattilyn Olivia ‡
Biology
Jasper

Overstreet, Tyler James
Political Science
Joplin

Page, Raymond Alan
Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Pembleton, Mykaelia Leonnah Paige
Sociology
Gravette, AR

Phillips, Robert Matthew
Biology
Rogers, AR

Phillips, Shawnee Lachelle
Criminal Justice Administration
Santa Rosa, CA

Plunk, Craig Wayne
Environmental Health and Safety
Miami, OK

Ramage, Donald James *
Criminal Justice Administration
Butler

Reese, David Eric
Biology
Olathe, KS

Restivo, Talia Diane *
Criminal Justice Administration
Carl Junction

Roby, Tyler Stephen
Criminal Justice Administration
South Greenfield

Ruiz Navarrete, Adrian
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Juvenile Justice
Centerton, AR

Salkill, Wendy Janel
Criminal Justice Administration/
CIS-Computer Forensics
Aurora

Sanders, Lauren Renee †
Biochemistry
Owasso, OK

Sanders, Whitney Marie
Biology
Webb City

Schneickert, Derek Alan
Biology
Joplin

Sesay, Gibril *
Sociology
Sierra Leone

Severns, Danielle Marie †
Biology
Blue Springs

Shelton, Charmein Quantinea
Political Science
Joplin

Shockley-Berggren, Kathryn Lynne*
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Juvenile Justice
Joplin

Shorter, Lee A.*
Criminal Justice Administration
Carthage

Simmonds, Melissa Corinne
Mathematics
Webb City

Smith, Brooke Ivy
Criminal Justice Administration
Branson

Smith, Shéniece Tinika
Biochemistry-Forensic Science
British Virgin Islands

Sparkman, Kristine
Criminal Justice Administration
Dexter

Stelts, Eric Paul *
Criminal Justice Administration
Seneca

Stiles, Daniel Ray
Biochemistry
Joplin

Stokes, Brandon Riley
Communication-Mass
Joplin

Stokes, Derek Clay
Biology
Joplin

Taffner, Ashley Renae *
Sociology
Wyandotte, OK

Tanksley, Clark Anthony
Communication-Speech
St Louis

Timmons, Heather Michelle
Criminal Justice Administration
Dewey, AZ

Tinney, Andrew Keegan
Political Science
Joplin

Turner, George W.
Criminal Justice Administration
Cameron

Turner, Jessica Denise
Criminal Justice Administration
Cameron

Turpin, Daniel Scott
Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Van Baal, Kenzo Johannes †
Biochemistry
Netherlands

Varner, Amber Paige
Criminal Justice Administration,
Juvenile Justice
Waynesville

Walker, Jeanette
Criminal Justice Administration
Springdale, AR

Watson, Patricia J.
Criminal Justice Administration
Galena, KS

Weidert, Seth L.
Criminal Justice Administration
Parsons, KS

Welch, Austin James
Political Science
Joplin

Weldin, Emily Kate
Biology
Aurora

White, Victoria Leigh
Environmental Health and Safety
Sulphur Springs, AR

Wicks, Marcus Dwayne
Criminal Justice Administration
Wichita Falls, TX

Williams, Richard P.
Criminal Justice Administration
Tulsa, OK

Yang, Nhia
Sociology
Purdy

Associate of Science

Albertson, Brittnee Lynn

Law Enforcement
Oswego, KS

Barbre, Allen Wade

Law Enforcement
Neosho

Bates, Ryan Michael

Law Enforcement
Killeen, TX

Benner, Caleb Alan *

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Kearney

Beye, Kendall

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Brown, Jason Michael

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Cantrell, Tyler Charles

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Law Enforcement
Asbury

Day, Molly Elizabeth

Law Enforcement
Joplin

DeBurger, Carly Mae

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Horn, Ashley Katherine

Law Enforcement
Webb City

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Willow Springs

Jensen, Dustin Arthur

Law Enforcement
Webb City

Jones, Carley Marie

Law Enforcement
Diamond

Kress, Lorraine Andria Kathleen

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Kyser Jr., Samuel Quinten

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Lyster, Hannah Jessie

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Maier, Nicholas Andreas

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Matlock, Breon S.

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Nelson, Tiffani Nicole

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Osburn, Mitchell Duane

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Page, Raymond Alan

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Phillips, Shawnee Lachelle

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Ramage, Donald James

Law Enforcement
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Roby, Tyler Stephen

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Centerton, AR

Salkill, Wendy Janel

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Branson

Sparkman, Kristine

Law Enforcement
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Stelts, Eric Paul *

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Turner, Jessica Denise

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Cameron

Turpin, Daniel Scott

Law Enforcement
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Varner, Amber Paige

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Walker, Jeanette

Law Enforcement
Springdale, AR

Watson, Patricia J.

Law Enforcement
Galena, KS

Weidert, Seth L.

Law Enforcement
Parsons, KS

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Law Enforcement
Tulsa, OK

School of Health Sciences

Bachelor of Science

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Nursing
Joplin

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Health Science-Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

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Health Science-Dental Hygiene
Lebanon

Azzaro, Lora Elizabeth

Nursing
Joplin

Bailey, Bobbi Sue *

Health Science-Business Life
Neosho

Baker, Airica LeAnn

Nursing
Cassville

Benford, Jessica Blair

Health Science
Joplin

Berger, Mary Catherine

Nursing
Joplin

Brothers, Arielle Jeanee †

Nursing
Joplin

Brown, Miranda Lynn

Health Science-Dental Hygiene
Siloam Springs, AR

Buckner, Mackenzie Brooke

Nursing
Joplin

Buelow, Marjorie May

Nursing
Carthage

Bynum, Jessica

Health Science
Joplin

Carpenter, Jay Cary

Health Science
Webb City

Choate, Denise Roberta *

Health Science-Dental Hygiene
Goodman

Clark, Nekeisha Nicole

Health Science-Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Cobb, Stephanie Michele

Nursing
Joplin

Coleman Wood, Stacy L.

Nursing
Carterville

Crane, Alaina Diane

Nursing
Galena, KS

Crider, Crystal Leann †

Nursing
Mount Vernon

Crozier, Nathan E.

Nursing
Rolla

Darnell, Christina Anne

Health Science-Dental Hygiene
Seneca

Day, Jennifer Dawn *

Health Science-Radiologic Technology
Fairview

Day, Venus Marie

Health Science
Lamar

DeLaunay, Mallory Loran

Nursing
Joplin

Donner, Heather Marie*

Health Science-Dental Hygiene
Whitewater

Epperson, Annie Mae

Health Science-Radiologic Technology
Webb City

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Riverton, KS

Gao, Yanqiu *

Health Science
China

Garcia, Megan Louise

Nursing
Joplin

George, Jenna Rose *

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Springfield

Gibson, Dana Leah

Health Science-Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Harney, Bayli Dawn

Nursing
Joplin

Hughes, Jasmin Danielle

Health Science-Dental Hygiene
Hartville

Jackson, Sarah Elizabeth *

Health Science-Dental Hygiene
Dexter

Jin, Rongquan

Health Science-Business Life
China

Johnson, Kelsey Victoria

Health Science-Dental Hygiene
Neosho

Johnston, Megan Lynn *

Health Science-Dental Hygiene
Waverly, KS

Jones, Samantha Brooke *

Health Science
Greenwood, AR

Kidston, Micah Natasha

Nursing
Webb City

Klein, Sarah Rose

Health Science-Dental Hygiene
St Robert

Kogo, Hillary Kipkosgei

Nursing
Springfield

Lamp, Azia Myriah

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Bentonville, AR

Lord, Rachele Jean

Nursing
Carthage

MacKenzie, Lauren Nichole

Health Science-Business
Anderson

Mayfield, Emily Jordan *

Health Science-Dental Hygiene
Springdale, AR

McCall, Thomas Joe *

Health Science-Radiologic Technology
Parsons, KS

McCoy, Lydia Ruth

Health Science-Dental Hygiene
Baxter Springs, KS

McCracken, Jamie Ann *

Health Science-Respiratory Therapy
Webb City

McGowan, Miranda Lynn

Health Science-Dental Hygiene
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Iberia

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Baxter Springs, KS

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Therapy
Joplin

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Joplin

Mompoint, Natalie *
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Therapy
Lawrenceville, GA

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Nursing
Riverton, KS

Murray, Kamryn Leigh
Health Science-Dental Hygiene
Webb City

Myers, Courtney Michelle
Nursing
Greencastle, IN

Nelson, Brandy Jo
Nursing
Mt Vernon

Parcel, Karrie Diane
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Pleasant Hill

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Nursing
Joplin

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Columbia

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Nursing
Ozark

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Leavenworth, KS

Putt, Daniel Joseph
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Seaman, Malayla Ann
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Shafer, Tiffani Rose
Nursing
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Neosho

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Wilks, Derrik Mykel
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Williams, Chad Alan *
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Carthage

Williams, Krystal Arinda *
Health Science-Radiologic Technology
Bluejacket, OK

Wunderle, Meredith Anne
Health Science-Business Life
Springdale, AR

Associate of Science

Alcala, Monica
Dental Hygiene
Springdale, AR

Armstrong, Kelsey Jacole
Dental Hygiene
Lebanon

Barnett, Heather Joy *
Respiratory Therapy
Webb City

Bayless, Kristi Jo
Dental Hygiene
Carthage

Berghoff, Katie
Dental Hygiene
Scott City

Blackburn, Kimberly Lynn
Dental Hygiene
Carthage

Blaylock, Olivia Marie
Dental Hygiene
Seneca

Brown, Miranda Lynn
Dental Hygiene
Siloam Springs, AR

Carroll, Maegen Nichole *
Respiratory Therapy
Carthage

Choate, Denise Roberta
Dental Hygiene
Goodman

Cureton, Molly Ann
Dental Hygiene
Fredericktown

Darnell, Christina Anne
Dental Hygiene
Seneca

Day, Jennifer Dawn *
Radiologic Technology
Fairview

Donner, Heather Marie
Dental Hygiene
Whitewater

Eads, Hali Brook
Dental Hygiene
Fort Scott, KS

Epperson, Annie Mae
Radiologic Technology
Webb City

Evans, Kimberly Suzann
Dental Hygiene
Riverton, KS

Fane, Aubrey Carl II *
Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Foster, Brooke Leanne
Dental Hygiene
Linn

George, Jenna Rose
Dental Hygiene
Springfield

Gray, Jessica Rachelle *
Respiratory Therapy
Nixa

Hartsfield, Jessica Ellen
Dental Hygiene
Malden

Hoecker, Courtney Rachel
Dental Hygiene
St Elizabeth

Jackson, Sarah Elizabeth
Dental Hygiene
Dexter

Johnson, Kelsey Victoria
Dental Hygiene
Neosho

Johnston, Megan Lynn
Dental Hygiene
Waverly, KS

Kirk, Sara Renee
Dental Hygiene
Huntsville, AR

Krug, Kristina Lyn
Dental Hygiene
Mountain Home, AR

Lambeth, Julie Ranee
Respiratory Therapy
Neosho

Lamp, Azia Myriah
Dental Hygiene
Bentonville, AR

Mayfield, Emily Jordan
Dental Hygiene
Springdale, AR

McCoy, Lydia Ruth
Dental Hygiene
Baxter Springs, KS

McCracken, Jamie Ann *
Respiratory Therapy
Webb City

McGarry, Tracy Nicole
Dental Hygiene
Joplin

McMullin, Ryan Davin *
Radiologic Technology
Goodman

Means, Bryan Glen *
Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Mompoint, Natalie *
Respiratory Therapy
Lawrenceville, GA

Morrison, Emily Grace *
Radiologic Technology
Joplin

Murray, Kamryn Leigh
Dental Hygiene
Webb City

Perry, Megan D. *
Respiratory Therapy
Webb City

Pickering, Emali Laine *
Radiologic Technology
Seneca

Potucek, Samantha Breann
Dental Hygiene
Mexico

Pursel, Shelby Lynn
Dental Hygiene
Leavenworth, KS

Reading, Kelsey Nichole *
Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Robertson, Colette *
Respiratory Therapy
Webb City

Scheurich, Adam Christopher *
Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Selvidge, Holly Michelle
Dental Hygiene
Dexter

Shah, Samina *
Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Simpson, Katherine Rena
Dental Hygiene
Farmington

Smith, Kayla Nicole *
Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Snodgrass, Keshia Elisabeth
Dental Hygiene
So. Coffeyville, OK

Spainhower, Amy Marie *
Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Stapp, Trista Marie *
Respiratory Therapy
Pierce City

Steele, Jennie Kay
Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Stone, Betsy Jean
Dental Hygiene
Seneca

Stout, Alyson Paige
Dental Hygiene
Neosho

Tanner, McKayley Brooke
Dental Hygiene
Gravette, AR

Todd, Cody Ross *
Radiologic Technology
Joplin

Townsley-Grubb, Nicole T. *
Radiologic Technology
Joplin

Tyson, Kristine L. *
Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Vene, Kyle John *
Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Wilmes, Katie Christine
Dental Hygiene
Troy

Graduates Who Have Studied Abroad

As provided by the Institute of International Studies.

Students who received university academic credit for studying abroad are wearing a sash today representing the country or countries where they studied. Since 1995, MSSU has sent approximately 3,000 students abroad to reflect its statewide mission in global education.

Akee, Kelsey
France

Albrecht, Ashley
Ecuador

Arnold, Ashley
Greece/Austria

Arnold, Elizabeth
Sweden

Atkinson, Stephen
Costa Rica

Bailey, Taylor
France

Brown, Eldon
France

Bush, Hailey
France/United Kingdom

Chambers, Graham
Finland

Chernowsky, Paulette
Belize/Czech Republic/Poland/Denmark

Chilton, Michael
Serbia

Chitwood, Darrin
Kenya

Christian, Adam
Spain

Clark, Breana
Italy

Clark, Matthew
China

Conrad, Sandra
Italy

Crisp, Ethan
Czech Republic/Poland/Denmark

Davidson, John
France

DeBurger, Carly
United Kingdom

Elam, John
China

Forkner, Leah
Ecuador

Gibson, Ciara
France

Gipson, Brook
United Kingdom

Gomez, Jose
Italy

Gooch, Cara
Australia

Graham, Samantha
Belize

Guhr, Traci
Spain

Harris, Chad
Spain

Henning, Jade
Spain

Hermanson, Harley
Italy

Hill, Austin
Austria

Howard, Joshua
Sweden

Jamerson, Brenna
Italy

James, Blake
Belize

Jimenez, Marisela
Mexico

Kritikos, Rex
Spain

Lessman, Eric
United Kingdom

Lile, Dyanne
Italy

Little, Kelsey
Ecuador/France

Markley, Amelia
China

Meyer, Chelsea
Ecuador

Morris, Austin
Serbia

Norman, Ashlea
United Kingdom/Italy/France/Spain

Norton, Derek
Italy

Paullus, Emily
Italy/Germany

Payton, Ashley
Sweden

Peterson, Kristina
Scotland

Phillips, Addy
Italy

Risner, Abby
Costa Rica

Robertson, Colette
British Virgin Islands

Sanders, Lauren
Belize

Sanders, Whitney
Czech Republic/Poland/Denmark

Severns, Danielle
Peru

Shannon, Ashley
Italy

Sigars, David
United Kingdom

Sillars, Shannon
Sweden

Silva, Lorena
Spain

Smalley, Megan
Ecuador

Smith, Ashlee
Spain

St. Clair, Karissa
Sweden

Stokes, Brandon
France

Stokes, Derek
Czech Republic/Poland/Denmark

Thompson, Lesley
Italy

Tran, Richard
Sweden/Spain/Germany

Tripp, Allen
Italy

Troxel, Ashton
France

Turner, George
United Kingdom

Wilks, Derrik
Ecuador

Yang, Hunter
Belize

Yust, Ashton
Italy

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Words by Mary Laird,
Class of '39

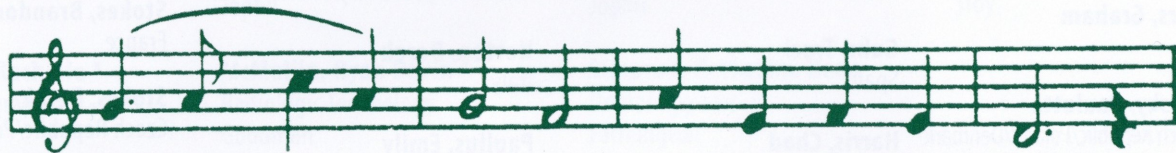
Music by Emerson Jackson,
Class of '39



Our Al - ma Ma - ter, we ho - nor thee,



shap - ing and guid - ing our de - sti - ny.



Af - ter we have part - ed as the years roll by;



we'll keep each me - mo - ry hail, hail to thee.

Missouri Southern State University's "Alma Mater" was drafted during the Joplin Junior College second year by a group that included Mary Laird, Joan Epperson, Enos Currey, Ellen Beasley, and Emerson Jackson. Laird was principally responsible for the lyrics while Jackson set it to music. It was first sung during a Class-Day program in 1939.

Points of Pride



Dr. Cade receives Excellence in Education award

Dr. Al Cade, the former dean of the School of Education who passed away on Feb. 21, was the recipient of the 2015 Governor's Award for Excellence in Education.

The award is presented to an outstanding faculty member from each participating higher education institution in the state. A non-monetary recognition, it is based on effective teaching, effective advising, service to the university community, commitment to high standards of excellence and success in nurturing student achievement.

Cade served Missouri Southern students and faculty for 28 years in a number of positions, including kinesiology instructor and assistant football coach, chair of the Teacher Education Department and, most recently, the School of Education's dean. He served on state-level education committees and was very active in the Joplin community, serving as a volunteer for the Boys and Girls Club, the Miracle League

and the Joplin Human Rights Commission, among other organizations.

Cade was the unanimous choice for the honor by Missouri Southern's four deans. His wife, Dorothy Cade, accepted the award on his behalf during a ceremony held on April 7 at Lincoln University in Jefferson City.



MSSU grads honored as Outstanding Beginning Teachers

Two recent School of Education graduates were recognized as Outstanding Beginning Teachers by the Missouri Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (MACTE).

Whitney Triplett, '14, a business education major, and Jordan Hern, '14, elementary education, were both selected for the honor. They received their awards during a luncheon held in March as part of the association's spring conference in Jefferson City.

Triplett teaches Business Technology, Web Design, Desktop Publishing and Introduction to Business at Seneca High School; while Hern

teaches fifth grade (including reading, math, social studies and science) at Noel Elementary.

MACTE accepts nominations for the awards every two years. Member institutions may nominate up to two first- or second-year teachers. The association requires feedback from faculty, student teaching supervisor and cooperating teacher during their student teaching. A letter of recommendation from the hiring principal regarding their performance during their first year is also required.



MSSU teams with Nutra Blend to raise funds for backpack programs

More than \$80,000 was dispersed to backpack programs designed to address food insecurity in area school districts during a presentation held in January.

Through a partnership between the Neosho-based Nutra Blend and Missouri Southern, checks were presented to programs in Nesoho, East Newton, Seneca, Monett, Joplin, Webb City, Carthage and Carl Junction.

In November, the company partnered with Missouri Southern for a 5k run and also brought the “Chew on This” truck to campus as part

of the nationwide Drive to Feed tour to raise awareness about world hunger. A gala dinner and silent auction was also held at Downstream Casino.

In total, nearly \$84,000 was raised for the backpack programs. Nutra Blend worked closely with the Missouri Southern Foundation to allocate the funds.

The money will enable the backpack programs to continue sending food home each weekend with children in need.

Students invited to present at international convention

Three students from the English Department at Missouri Southern State University were invited to present papers – with two receiving awards – during Sigma Tau Delta’s 2015 International Convention, held March 18-21 at the Hyatt Regency in Albuquerque, N.M.

The annual convention is for members of Sigma Tau Delta, the international English honor society.

Kristine Steddam – a senior from Webb City – received first place in the Common Reader category. She received a \$600 cash award for “Our Bones Speak: A Poetic Response,” based on Simon J. Ortiz’s “From Sand Creek.”

Jessica Witman – a junior from Carl Junction – received third place and a \$150 cash prize in the same category for her response, entitled “The Colonel.”

Joshua Horton – a senior from Joplin – was invited to present his essay “Math to Convey Terror,” based on the works of horror writer H.P. Lovecraft.



DECA club members honored at state competition

The Collegiate DECA club at Missouri Southern State University earned several state honors during the 2015 Collegiate DECA Missouri State Career Development Conference, held in February in Jefferson City.

The conference featured competitive events for individuals and teams, with students attempting to qualify for the International Career Development Conference. Each student was allowed to compete in up to two events.

The Missouri Southern club, which is sponsored by the Robert W. Plaster School of Business, received seven trophies during the state competition, and were state champions in the Quiz Bowl.

Also receiving first-place honors were Dillon Walker, junior, Webb City – finance exam and accounting contest; Kyle Prisock, junior, Joplin – hospitality exam; and Michael Maddock, senior, Carl Junction – retail management.

Placing third were Cara Nicole Gooch, senior, Bolivar – marketing management; and Holly Loncarich, junior, Fairview – banking and financial systems; while Stephen Holman, senior, Carthage, received fifth place for travel and tourism.

Academic Attire and Regalia Cords

As early as the twelfth century the first modern universities, at Bologna and Paris, were centers of European learning. The usual garb of the time, for both churchmen and laymen, was a long gown which was necessary for warmth in the unheated buildings of the day. Scholars, generally members of churchorders, wore such robes and also hoods to protect their shaven heads. Later, skull caps were worn on the head, and the hood became a cape which could be pulled over the head in unpleasant weather. The hood was also sometimes used to collect alms from the more affluent members of the community. As additional universities were founded, distinctive forms of the gown and hood were adopted by their faculties. Variations indicated ranks within the institutions. Strict rules were published and in some cases punishment cited for tailors who departed from the authorized design.

The academic hat was a later development, adapted from the headdress of the ordinary people. Academically, it was originally worn as a symbol of the master's degree, and existed in various forms: some were round, some square and some had a tuft in the center. The flat, square "mortar board" of today originated at Oxford University in England.

Academic costume came to America in 1754 with the founding of King's College, now Columbia University. Styles became quite varied as they were in Europe, but in 1895 a group of American college and university representatives met to establish a uniform system of academic apparel for this country. This led to the establishment in 1902 of an "Intercollegiate Code of Academic Costume." The American Council of Education formed a committee in 1932 to review the 1895 code, which was again reviewed and revised in both 1960 and 1965.

There are today three basic types of gowns and hoods. The bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed. Recipients of the associate degrees wear gray gowns designed like the bachelor's gown. The master's gown is designed with an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist and with an arc cut away at the front of the sleeve. It may be worn either open or closed. The doctoral gown is of a full design with voluminous sleeves, and it also may be worn open or closed. Unlike the other two, the doctoral gown is faced down the front with velvet and with three velvet bars on the sleeves. These may be black or a color related to the subject of the degree. Thus, arts, letters and humanities may be white, business degrees may be drab or sapphire blue, education uses light blue, fine arts is brown, music is pink and science is golden yellow, to name a few.

The caps are always black, with a black tassel for baccalaureate degrees and a tassel of the color indicated above for master's. Doctoral caps usually have a tassel of metallic gold color.

The hoods worn by master's degree recipients are lined with the official colors of the institution awarding the degree. The binding and edging of the hood is silk or velvet in the color pertaining to the subject area. Doctoral hoods are longer and designed somewhat fuller, but the colors again are those of the institution granting the degree for the lining, and of the subject for the wide edging. There exists a small bachelor's hood, but generally it is not used in this country.

The hoods represented in MSSU ceremonies are a combination of colors from each of the collaborating institutions. Traditional colors and corresponding fields of study are:

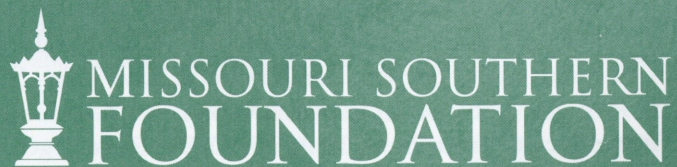
Brown: Fine Arts • **Crimson:** Journalism • **Dark Blue:** Philosophy • **Golden Yellow:** Science
Lemon Yellow: Library Science • **Light Blue:** Education • **Pink:** Music
Purple: Law • **Sage Green:** Physical Education • **Scarlet:** Theology • **White:** Arts, Letters, Humanities
Yellow Brown: Commerce, Business, Accountancy

Regalia Cords

Alpha Chi: Gold • **Veteran:** Red, White, and Blue • **Honors Program:** Green • **Athletics:** Green and Gold
Dental Hygiene Honor Society, Sigma Phi Alpha: Purple and Gold
Criminal Justice Honor Society, Alpha Phi Sigma: Blue and Gold
Respiratory Therapy Honor Society, Lambda Beta: Navy Blue and Green
National Leadership Honor Society, Omicron Delta Kappa: Braided blue, black and white
International Honor Society in Business, Delta Mu Delta: Braided gold and purple
Education Honor Society, Kappa Delta Pi: Purple and Green



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A large, light-colored stone wall serves as a backdrop for the university's name. The wall is set against a clear blue sky with wispy clouds. In the foreground, there are green bushes and a low stone border. To the right, a modern building with large glass windows is partially visible.

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